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SUBJECT: President Kabila's half-sister is murdered

¶1. Congolese media report that Mrs. Aimee Kabila Mulengela, believed to be an illegitimate (but acknowledged) daughter of late President Laurent Kabila, was killed in her Kinshasa residence last Wednesday by two unidentified men wearing military uniforms. The assassins broke into Mrs. Mulengela's residence in the early hours of the morning and shot her to death in front of her children. They fled the house after taking her cell phone.

¶2. While the provincial police have issued a statement saying that Mrs. Mulengela was not related to the late President Kabila, the consensus of opinion among reliable sources in the press and elsewhere is that Mulengela was indeed Laurent Kabila's daughter by a woman other than his wife, making her a half-sister of current President Joseph Kabila. The United Nations Mission for the Congo (MONUC) confirmed that Mrs. Mulengela had on several occasions expressed concern for her safety and had reported threats on her life.

¶3. Comment: Mrs. Mulengela was known to have been on bad terms with certain members of the Kabila family and to have been involved in legal disputes over the estate of Laurent Kabila. End Comment.

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